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DURHAM, N.H. – The University of New Hampshire's accounting program has been named one of the top accounting programs in the world by Brigham Young University, which has been ranking university accounting programs based on classifications of peer-reviewed research articles since 1990.

UNH was ranked No. 2 in the world in accounting information systems, and No. 12 in the world in experimental accounting research. UNH's ranking in accounting information systems put it ahead of nearly 200 institutions worldwide, including top research institutions.

"We welcome news of this ranking and are proud of this external acknowledgement of the quality of the Whittemore School's programs," Whittemore School Dean Daniel Innis said. "This ranking validates the continuous efforts of our faculty to deliver the finest business education to its students."

Accounting information systems combine the study and practice of accounting with the design, implementation, and monitoring of information systems. Such systems use modern information technology resources together with traditional accounting controls and methods to provide users the financial information necessary to manage their organizations. The ranking is available at http://www.byuaccounting.net/rankings/univrank/rank_university.php?qurank=AIS&sortorder=ranking6.

Experimental accounting research focuses on understanding how human behavior influences the decision-making process in accounting. This research is particularly relevant following the 2008 financial collapse and the flawed decision-making by investors, company officers, and accounting experts, particularly the failure of Certified Professional Accountants and auditors to enforce accounting standards. The ranking is available at http://www.byuaccounting.net/rankings/univrank/rank_university.php?qurank=Experimental&sortorder=ranking6.

UNH's accounting and finance program is one of the largest programs at the Whittemore School of Business and Economics. The program offers a bachelor's degree in business administration with an accounting focus and a master's degree in accounting.

The UNH Whittemore School of Business and Economics offers a full complement of high-quality programs in business, economics, accounting, finance, information systems management, marketing, and hospitality management. Programs are offered at the undergraduate, graduate, and executive development levels. The school is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, the premier accrediting agency for business schools worldwide.

The University of New Hampshire, founded in 1866, is a world-class public research university with the feel of a New England liberal arts college. A land, sea, and space-grant university, UNH is the state's flagship public institution, enrolling 12,200 undergraduate and 2,300 graduate students.

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